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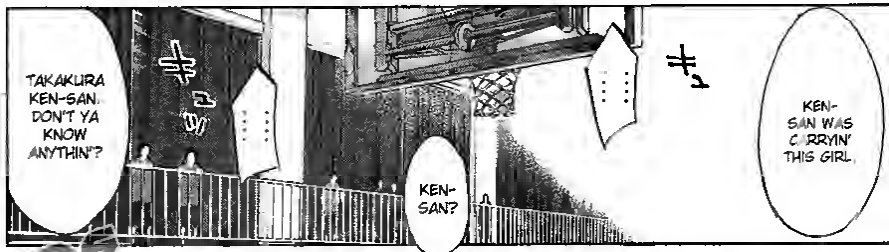
LET'S GET A POINT.
OK!
WHITE'S B'ALL.
ISN'T THAT TETSUO-SENPAI?
HE'S PLAYING TOO?
LOOKS LIKE TAIEI SUBBED TOO
I WANT A CHANCE TOO.
DAMN IN THAT CASE, WHAT ABOUT US?
---HE'S SMALLER THAN THE GUY FROM BEFORE.
LOOKS LIKE TAIEI REALLY ISN'T A TEAM WITH BIG PLAYERS.
OFFE-NSE
23
I'M 160CM.
EH? NO I WASN'T.
WERE YOU JUST LAUGHING?
HOW TALL ARE YOU!?
LIAR!!!

He doesn't really look that skilled
HE DOESN'T SEEM FASTER THAT NUMBER 16 EITHER...
YOU BETTER BE PREPARED THEN.
YOU LITTLE...
#23 POSITION: PG 164CM 54KG TAMAYAMA TETSUO 2ND YEAR
YOU REALLY WANNA PISS ME OFF?

5 SECOND VIOLATION
BEHOLD MY SPECIAL—

WHAT THE HECK?
LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE MORONS EVEN AT TAIEI...
SUB OUT
WHAT WAS THAT..?
WHEN YOU'RE UP AGAINST THE D, YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING WITHIN 5 SECONDS OTHERWISE, IT'S A VIOLATION OF THE RULES.

BE CAREFUL OF NUMBER 15 IS ON THE OUTSIDE.
OKAY.
LET'S TAKE IT EASY EASY FEASY IS THE WAY TO GO
SHADDAP AND GET DA BALL ALREADY
DOMINATIN' DA KANTO TOURNEY...
AND GETTIN' A TICKET TO DA INTER-HIGH.
---REMINDS ME OF THIS OLD MOVIE.
EH?



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DE... DE... DEFENSE.
DEFENSE!!
WHO KNOWS...
DE.. DE.. DEFENSE
DEFENSE
AND THEN, AND THEN?
WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THAT?

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HE'S THROUGH ...!!
THIS PUNK...
!

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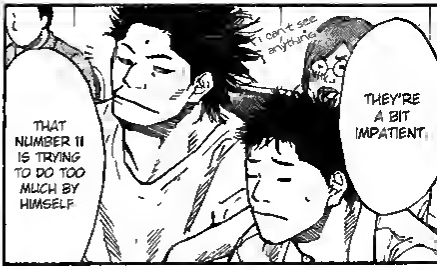
OOH
OI, TOBI...
OI, TOBI!!
LEO-PARDS
HE HASN'T CHANGED ONE BIT...
IND SPOTS
TWO THROWS!!
ISN'T he a 1ST year?
OI OI IS THIS GUY FOR REAL?
DEFENSE NUMBER 11!!
OOH FREE THROWS TOO.

BUT HE'S VERY GOOD AT CLEANING AND DOING LAUNDRY.
MOMOI RU MIGHT LOOK LIKE THIS.
Thanks to that my room is always sparkling.
That's not nothing to be proud of, bastard!
THIS AIN'T NO TIME TO BE PASSIN' DA BALL AROUND
I THINK IT'D BE BEST IF SOMEBODY OTHER THAN YOU, GOT DA REBOUND THOUGH.
what was that?
HUH?
I'M MISSIN' DA SECOND ONE.
WEREN'T YOU LISTENING TO WHAT NANAO SAID—
YOU MEAN, GO FOR THE REBOUND?
MISS..?
OUR OPPONENT IS YOKOHAMA TAIEI.
DA MOMENT WE STOP ATTACKIN', THEY'LL STRIKE BACK.

BUT DIDN'T THE OTHER TEAM THROW THE BALL IN WHEN THEY GOT A FOUL?
I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THE RULES.
10
YOU KNOW A LOT, OSHIO-SENSEI!
IT'S CUZ I WAS ONCE A GYM TEACHER.
AAH... I SEE
YOU GET FREE THROWS WHEN A FOUL OCCURS DURING A SHOT.
LOOKS LIKE TOBI REALLY IS GONNA MISS ON PURPOSE.
YEAH, I KNOW.
THAT BITCH...
F.T REBOUNDS ARE WAY HARDER THAN USUAL.

FNNN GU...
IT'S SHORT!!
...
NICE REBOUND!!
WELL DONE, SHIBA-SAKI!!



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AAW... COME ON.
IT'S NOT GOING IN AT ALL!!
WHERE'S THAT JIZZAZZ YOU SHOWED AT THE START!?
THE DF IS VERY IMPORTANT IN THE REMAINING TWO MINUTES
KURU-MATANI-KUN, TAKE CONTROL!!
!!
GAIN SOME SPACE TO SHOOT AND—
HANG ON.
SHA-DDAP!!
YA COULDA GOT THAT REBOUND.
20

THE REMAINING TWO MINUTES.
LET'S LEAVE THEM TO TOBI-KUN.
KURUMATANI-KUN...
!
SORRY FOR BEING SO SELFISH.
TWO PLAYERS ...!?
13
MU...
TAIEI KUZURYUU
30 - 18

CHAR-GING!!
SHIT...
BLACK NUMBER 7!!
NICE SHOT!!
GO, GO, YAKU-MA!!
HE CAN'T READ THE FLOW AT ALL
MUST BE TOUGH WITH A G LIKE THAT
LOOKS LIKE HE'S JUST FOR SHOW BUMMER
NOTHING REALLY CHANGED AFTER NUMBER 11 GOT IN
I THINK IT'S THE OPPOSITE
!

DEFENSE!!
DE..DE..DEFENSE!!
DEFENSE!!
BUT I'M NOT DONE YET
THAT MOVIE MIGHT'VE ENDED THERE
DE..DE..DEFENSE!!
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A THREE!!
I WOULD LIKE TO BET EVERYTHING ON THIS TEAM ONCE MORE.
PLEASE

THE NORMAL THING TO DO WOULD BE TO PASS THE BALL AROUND.
I'M SURE THAT'S WHAT THE MANAGER TOLD THEM DURING THE TIMEOUT.
HOW-EVER,
IT'S A DIFFERENT STORY IF YOU HAVE FAITH IN WHAT WILL HAPPEN UNDERNEATH THE GOAL.
ALLOW ME TO PROVE
THAT I WASN'T WRONG...!!
YOKOHAMA TAKETA

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EVEN MY TEAM WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PULL THIS OFF!!
OUT OF BOUNDS!!
DAMN— SO CLOSE!!!
11
SHIT...SO TAIEI GOT THE BALL
He couldn't get it.
— THIS PUNK ...

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That was nice
Ooh
IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL, YOU'LL GIVE HIM A FOUL.
WATCH OUT FOR THAT NUMBER 4, SHIBA.
HIS JUMP AND POWER ARE NOT TO BE TRIFLED WITH.
Alternate postion rule。
WHITE'S BALL!!
Alternate position rule
WHEN IT IS UNCLEAR WHICH TEAM CAUSED THE BALL TO GO OUT OF BOUNDS,
IS HANAZONO'S (JUNIOR) REBOUNDS.
I'D SAY THE ONLY POINT SO FAR WHERE KUZU HIGH EXCELS OVER TAIE!
IT'S THE ONLY AREA WHERE THEY WON'T LOSE.
OR TO REPHRASE,

IF HE WASN'T HERE, THIS GAME WOULD BE LONG GONE.
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DON'T TELL ME THAT HE'S PLANNING TO KEEP ATTACKING FROM THE OUTSIDE—
It's been too long
TOBI, YOU ASS-HOLE..
HE'S BEEN DOING NOTHING BUT BEING SELFISH AGAIN
TWO MINUTES LEFT.
OF-FENSE
molten

OI OI, ARE YOU SANE?
!
—YOU MOTHERF...!!
OFFENSE!!
OFFENSE!!

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NICE PA—
WHAT THE HECK JUST HAPPENED...?
THAT'S TOO FAST—
WH—....

NICE BLOCK
OOH!!
BLACK NUMBER 11!!
DAMMIT I CAN'T SHOOT I CAN'T DEFEND
DAMMIT !!
HAA
HAA
I'll kill you
THAT HURT, GOD DAMMIT
Are you okay?
M... MY HEART HURTS...
IT'S ONLY THE FIRST QUARTER AND WE HAVE FOUR PLAYERS WITH FOULS...

I'M SURPRISED, YASUHARA-SAN.
AH?
AT HOW INFERIOR YA ARE TO THAT NUMBER 10.
IT'S LIKE 100% IMPOSSIBLE FOR YA TO STOP OR GET PAST HIM.
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WHAT'S WRONG?
I DON'T WANT TO ADMIT IT, BUT REALITY IS HARSH.
WH... WHAT THE HECK CAN I DO THEN?
DON'T MISUNDERSTAND.
IT'S NOT LIKE WE EXPECT YA TO DO ANYTHIN'.
JUST LET US TAKE CARE OF IT.
!!
TWO THROWS
!
WHAT'S THAT MEAN?
HUH?
COME TO THINK OF IT...

TOBI'S TALKING TO HIS NORMALLY.
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE INCIDENT...
REBOUND!!
TCH
DE DE DEFEN-SE!!
DEFEN-SE!!
YOSHA NICE, MO-MOHARU!!
THE SECOND ONE MISSED...!!

DE... DE... DEFEN-SE!!
OUR TEAM WILL TAKE CARE OF IT...?
DID HE MEAN TO LEAVE IT TO HIM?
DEFEN-SE!!!
I KNOW I'M USELESS BUT STILL...
YOOSH, OVER HERE
AND THEN GO IN!!
—AH
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THERE'S SPACE AT THE LOW POST—...
SHOULD I FLASH TO CHIAKI?

09
CAN I—

IT WASN'T JUST THE HEAT
THAT MADE SWEAT POUR OUT OF HIS SKIN.
!

IT'S THE FIRST TIME
THAT I UNDERSTOOD CHIAKI'S STRENGTH.
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GO IN...
IF MY HAND SHAKES, I MIGHT FUMBLE IT.
YOSH
PLEASE

—WH...
AWESO
OOH!!!
15
4
4
11

15
YOSH, LET'S GO DEFEND.
WE'LL STOP THEM!!
A THREE..!!
THEY FINALLY SCORED.
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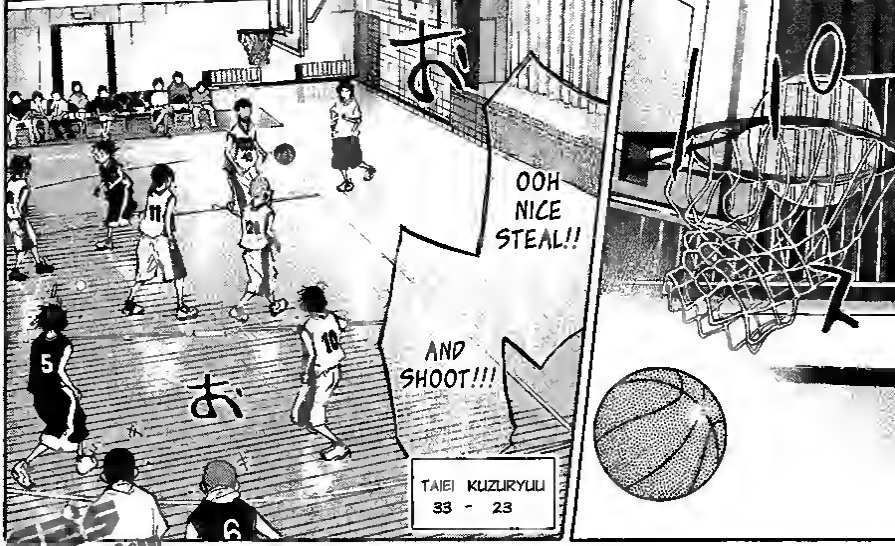

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HI-CHEW = CANDY

YOSH YOSH THEY'RE GETTING INTO IT!!
KILL THEM IN ONE FELL SWOOP!!
20
WHAT A DAN GEROUS VIBE THIS GUY GIVES OFF.
IT'S ITCHING TO PASS THROUGH
NO
DE- FENSE
DE... DE... DEEE- FENSE

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I WILL RISE WITH THIS TEAM...!!
DEFENSIVE FOUL, WHITE NUMBER 20!!
BASKET COUNT. ONE THROW!!
THE GAP IS DOWN TO SIX POINTS IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE
OOH FOUR POINTS IN THE BAG!!
It's not in yet
...

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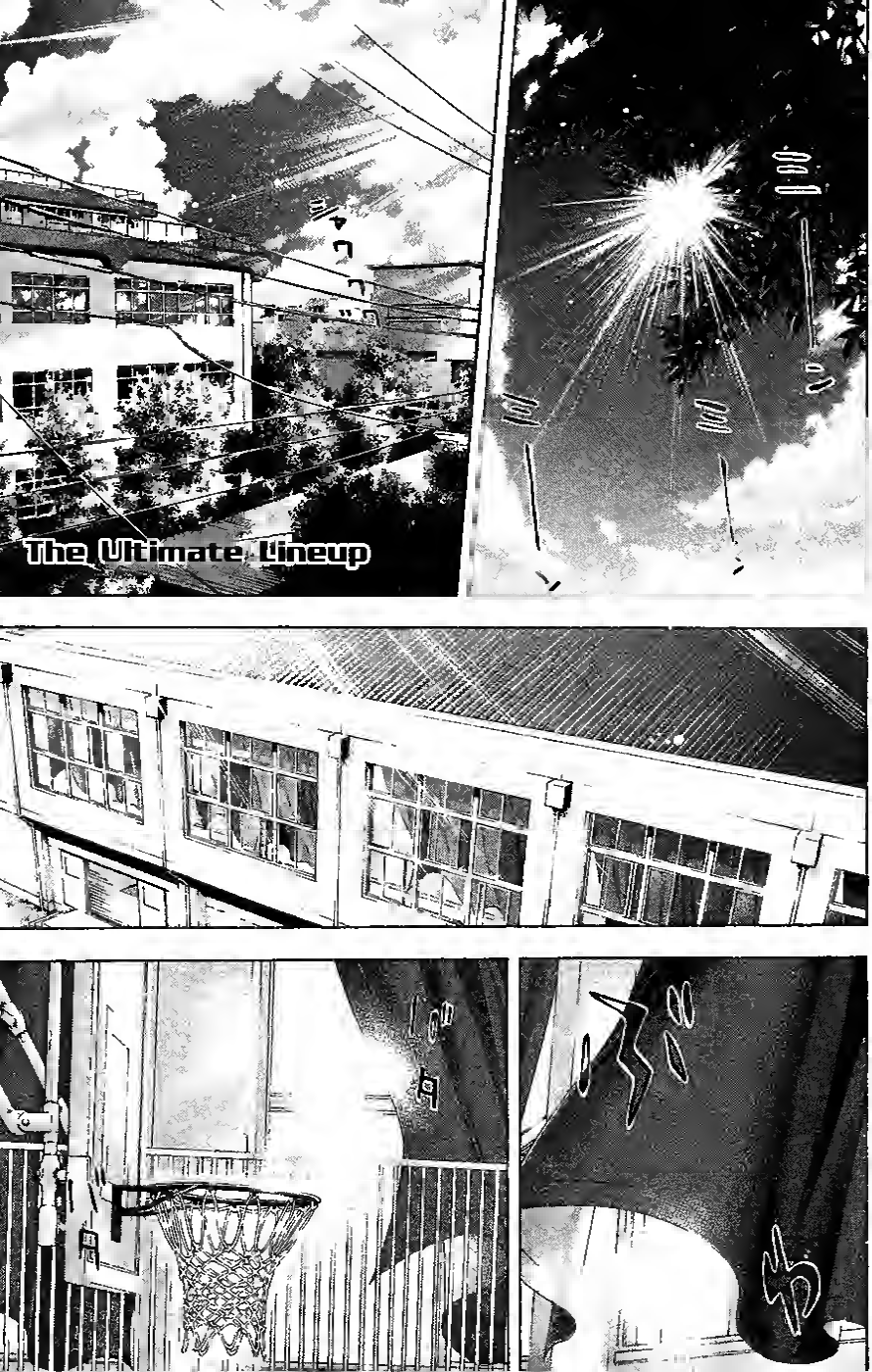
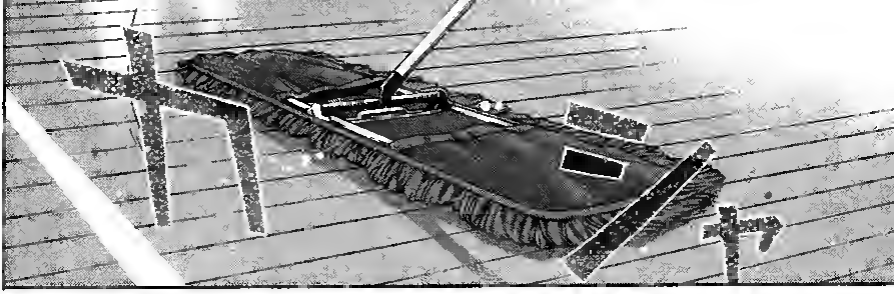
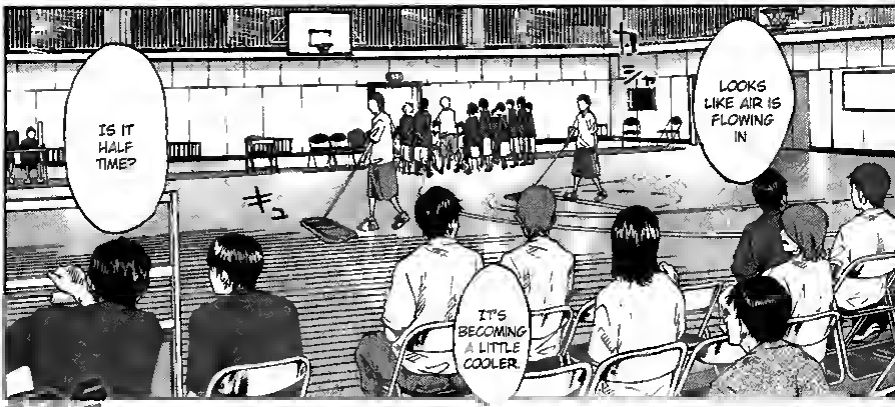
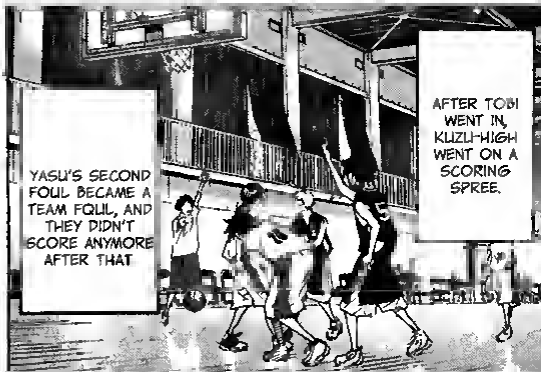

The Ultimate Lineup




IS IT HALF TIME?
LOOKS LIKE AIR IS FLOWING IN
IT'S BECOMING A LITTLE COOLER

GOOD JOB, I GUESS. IT'S PRAISEWORTHY, BUT...
TAIEI GOT 27 POINTS.
IT WAS THANKS TO THE SHORTY'S SPS BEING USED LIKE SURPRISE ATTACKS. IT'S NOT AN INDICATION OF THEIR TRUE STRENGTH.

SCORE: TAIEI - KUZURYULI 35 - 27
FIRST QUARTER HAS ENDED.


YASU'S SECOND FOUL BECAME A TEAM FOUL, AND THEY DIDN'T SCORE ANYMORE AFTER THAT.
AFTER TOBI WENT IN, KUZU-HIGH WENT ON A SCORING SPREE.

OUT OF 27 POINTS, ONLY 8 WERE SCORED IN THE PAINT.
Don't drink that crap
mu
AND 4 OF THEM WERE SCORED BY HANAZONO-SENPAI.
KUZU-HIGH HASN'T BROUGHT OUT THEIR BEST LINEUP YET.
HUH?
ON THE OTHER HAND, TAIEI'S ONLY 3P WAS NUMBER 20'S THE REST WERE ALL SCORED IN THE PAINT.
IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT THERE'S A SKILL GAP.
THAT SPEAKS VOLUMES ABOUT THE DF.
YOU MEAN THAT NUMBER 12?
DO YOU REALLY THINK HE'LL MAKE THAT MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE?

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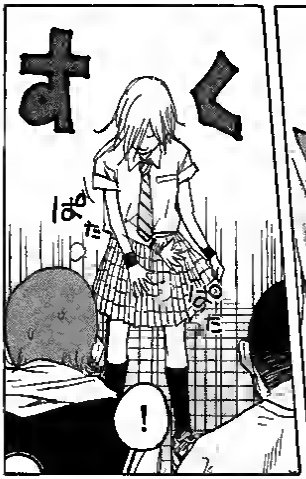

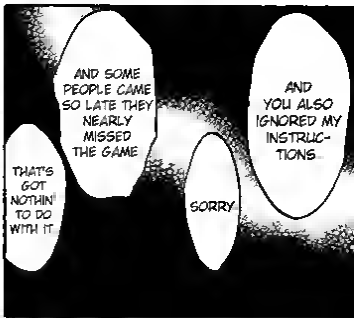
AND SOME PEOPLE CAME SO LATE THEY NEARLY MISSED THE GAME
AND YOU ALSO IGNORED MY INSTRUC-TIONS.
THAT'S GOT NOTHIN' TO DO WITH IT
SORRY

EHHH?!
IT'S GOING EXACTLY AS I EXPECTED!!
ARE YOU SURE? ISN'T IT TOO EARLY FOR MOKICHI?
IT'S JUST FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SECOND QUARTER.
AND I WANT TO SEE HOW TAIEI WILL REACT.
OH, A SUB?
PLEASE CALL IT, SHIGEYOSHI-KUN
THIS POINT GAP MIGHT EVEN BE A GOOD THING
A BASKETBALL GAME CONSISTS OF FOUR 10 MINUTE QUARTERS.
That's harsh.
BESIDES, I'VE DECIDED THAT EVEN IF HE GETS EXHAUSTED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GAME,
HE'LL REMAIN ON THE COURT TILL THE VERY END.
THE FIRST HALF, OR RATHER, THE FIRST AND SECOND QUARTERS,
ARE SOMETIMES USED AS A RECONNAISSANCE PHASE WHEN GOING UP AGAINST OPPONENTS WE HAVE NO DATA ON.

LET'S CHANGE THE MATCH UPS UNDERNEATH THE BASKET A LITTLE
THE RESULTS OF THE SAID RESEARCH IS THEN USED TO DOMINATE THE SECOND HALF
SHIBASAKI WILL SUB OUT THEY ARE GETTING TOO MANY REBOUNDS
THIS IS ALSO THE REASON FOR THE STRATEGY CHANGES DURING THE FIRST HALF
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A TWO MAN CLASS ZONE DF.
IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU GET TO SEE EVERYDAY.
OH, SO HE'S COMING IN
Sub please!
A 3-2... OR MAYBE A BOX.
THEY'LL PROBABLY SWITCH ZONES
OSU!!
ALRIGHT. LET'S GO ALL OUT!!
23
13
11

COUGH
ISN'T HE SAIJOU MIDDLE SCHOOL'S...?
12
AHH!
!
...
WHAT'S WRONG, MINETA?
AH NO IT'S NOTHING
I'M GLAD
THAT I CAN STAND ON A COURT ONCE MORE
YUP
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, MOKICHI-KUN
IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME
OK.
We're countin' on ya!
LET'S PASS THE BALL
NICE AND EASY.
AND TURN THINGS AROUND!
!

HAA...
IT'S HOT.
#12 POSITION C
SHIGEYOSHI KANAME
(FIRST YEAR)
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H... HUGE!!
WHAT THE HECK?!
HE'S MUCH TALLER THAN YAKUMA-SENPAI.
THAT NUMBER IS LOOKS SO TINY NEXT TO HIM
SORA
YOU'RE HUGE, MAN
HOW TALL ARE YOU?
A HUNDRED NINETY
SIX
DOESN'T LIKE TO BRAG
THIN ARMS
H... HOT...
HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE POWERFUL TYPE
AND HE STARTS IN THE SECOND QUARTER
19
12

OH. THEY HAD A SUB TOO.
EVERY ONE OF THEM LOOKS SO SKILLED.
NOW THAT THE THIRD YEARS SENPAIS AREN'T HERE
GUESS WE CAN FINALLY PLAY TO OUR HEART'S CONTENT
9 POSITION PF
ITOGA MASAOMI
(SECOND YEAR)
RIGHT, YASU-
We only have 8 players
THEY CAN SUB AS MUCH AS THEY WANT CUZ THERE'S SO MANY OF THEM
HAA
HAA
BEING USELESS IS ONE THING, BUT TO DRAG THEM DOWN
Dammit
IN THE END, I COULDN'T DO ANY-THING...
!
AH? YEAH ...
Tired?
ARE YOU OKAY, YASU...?
YOU GOTTA STAY HYDRATED IN THIS HEAT

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OFFENSE!
CUZ THIS GAME HAS BEEN TOO BORING SO FAR.
...
7
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SO, DON'T THINK IT'LL BE THAT EASY.
15
OFFENSE!
15
23
WELL, THEY NEED TO MAKE SOMETHING HAPPEN. OTHERWISE, THE SECOND HALF WILL BE ALREADY DECIDED.
A BOX?
OH, THEY STRENGTHENED THE PAINT?
WE COULDN'T REACH IT,
BUT IT'S NOT LIKE HEIGHT WILL HELP THE CAUSE.

I SCREWED UP A LITTLE BEFORE,
BUT THIS TIME I WON'T LET YA OFF THAT EASILY
HELLO HELLO YOUR OPPONENT IS RIGHT HERE
OFFENSE!
OFFENSE!
BEING TREATED LIKE A SHORTY BY A SHORTY IS A SHAME. I WILL TAKE YOU TO THE GRAVE, YOU PUNK
TRASH TALK?
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YOKOHAMA
23
THREE GIANTS UNDERNEATH THE BASKET
SHOULD I PENETRATE?
What? you can't get through?
BUT ONE THING IS CLEAR NOW.
OOOH... GOOD REFLEXES?!
J...
JUST SHUDDAP ALREADY!!
YOU CAN BREAK THROUGH ON YOUR OWN...!!
LOOKS LIKE IT'S REALLY A ZONE DF!!
THE WAY UP IS SHUT-
NO...

HOW ABOUT THIS...?!
TETSU, YOU SMURF...
IT'S NOT THAT EAS-
ALLEY-OOP!!

...HUH?
IT'S NOT JUST HIS HEIGHT...
HOW LONG IS THIS GUY'S ARM SPAN...?!
12
23

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WITH TOBI AND MOKICHI JOINING, THESE FIVE ARE LITERALLY KUZU HIGH'S ULTIMATE LINEUP.
I REALLY WANTED TO PLAY AGAINST THEIR BEST LINEUP AT LEAST ONCE BEFORE THE END.
EVEN IF IT WAS ONLY TWO OF THEM, TO SORA AND THE REST, THOSE TWO HAVE THE IMPACT OF TWO HUNDRED PEOPLE.
NANAO AND SATSUKI FROM THE BENCH CLEARLY SHOWED THOSE THOUGHTS
"WE CAN DO THIS!"
BUT ON THE CONTRARY,
IT COULD ALSO MEAN THAT KUZU HIGH CAN'T SHOW ANY MORE OF THEIR STRENGTH

DEFENSE!!
DEFENSE!!
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DE-FENSE!!
HEY!
HMM?!
I HOPE HE DOESN'T FAINT AGAIN...
It's so hot
WILL MOKICHI-KUN BE OKAY...?
DE-FENSE!!
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH BASKETBALL DOESN'T SUIT HIM...
Our own Shigeyo?
.....
"HEY"
I SAID,
WHAT THE HELL DID YOU JUST MUMBLE?!
THAT'S NOT LOUD ENOUGH!!!
BASKETBALL IS A SPORT WHERE VERBAL COMMUNICATION IS VERY IMPORTANT

212 cm !!
THERE ARE MANY 2M PLAYERS AT THE INTER-HIGH.
LAST YEAR'S CHAMPION HAD A 212CM PLAYER.
IF WE BACK DOWN AGAINST SOMETHING OF THIS LEVEL, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO FIGHT ON THE NATIONAL SCALE.
DE-FENSE
?
WHAT'S WITH THIS LACK OF POWER...?!
IT'S TOO WEAK...!
IT FEELS LIKE HE'S NOT COMING IN...?!
NO.

A HOOK USER...
SCREEN OUT!!
!
THIS PUNK...!
IT
IT WENT IN
IT WENT IN ! A AWE-SOME!!
SHIGE-YOSHI YOU'RE DOING PRETTY WELL

OK
NICE, MOKICHI-KUN!!
HE CAN'T REACH THE HIGH FIVE.
SO THAT'S THE REAL C...
WHAT'S WITH THE AFRO...?
OFFENSE !!
NOW THEN,
THIS IS WHERE IT REALLY STARTS.
Thank goodness it went in
WELL DONE, MOKICHI!!
TAIEI 35
KUZURYUU. LV 29
SUPER CENTER!!!

DE-FENSE!!
OFFENSE!!!
OFFENSE!!
OF-FENSE!!
BOX AND ONE, EH...? A MAN TO MAN WITH TETSUO-SEMPAI.
IT'S GOTTA BE HARD TO FIND USES FOR SUCH SHORT PLAYERS
SPEAKING OF, ISN'T TETSUO-SENPAI THE SAME?
He's a nice guy though
A SECOND YEAR AT 166CM?
COME TO THINK OF IT, IS TETSUO-SENPAI REALLY THAT GOOD?
...
BE QUIET, YOU IDIOT

OF-
FENSE!!
HAA
HAA
OFFENSE!!
15
OFFENSE!!!
NO...!
I'M JUST IMAGINING THINGS...
THAT FEELING FROM EARLIER...
WAS IT SIMILAR TO TOBI-KUN OR TAROU-SAN...?
STOP HIM, MOMO-HARU!!
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SO HIGH.....!
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BACK DOOR!!

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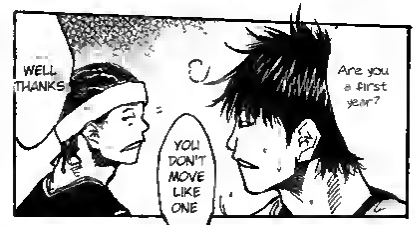
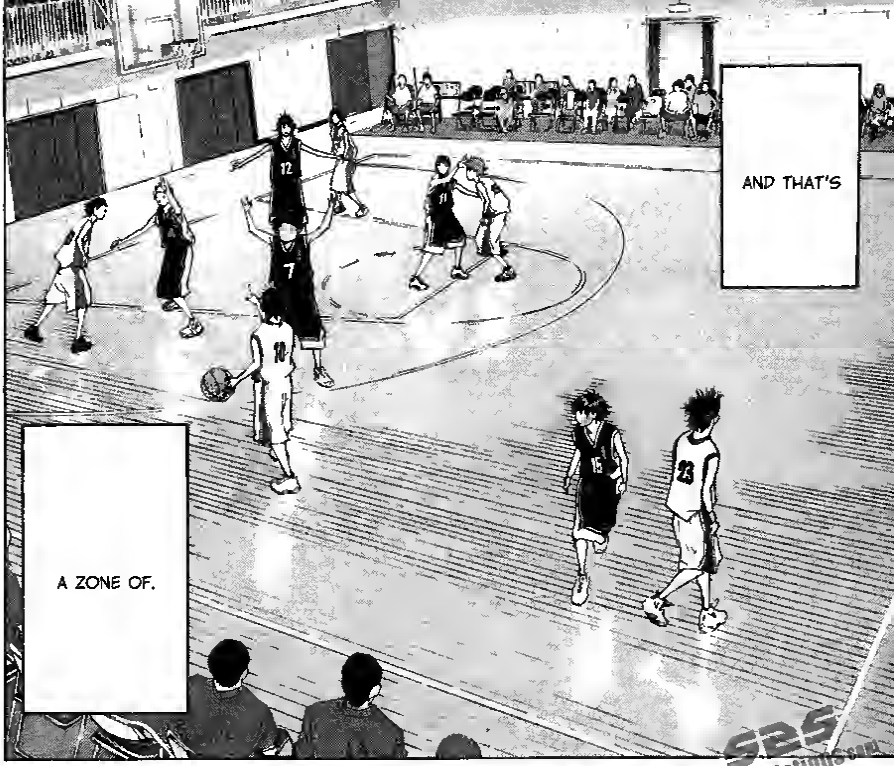
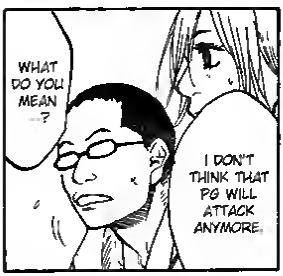


WE'LL BE OKAY IF WE STAY ALERT ON THE OUTSIDE...!!
REBOUND!!
RIGHT, NAO-CHAN?!
YES.
YOSH! YOSH! THEY'RE DEFENDING PRETTY WELL, AREN'T THEY?!
LOOKS LIKE NUMBER 15 IS QUIET TODAY.
THE SECOND QUARTER IS ABOUT SECURING THE POINT.
WITH PGS LIKE USAMI AND TETSUO BOTH IN THE 160CM CLASS,
YOU COULD CALL IT TAIEI'S ONLY WEAKNESS
TOO MANY SMALL PLAYERS TOOK YOKOYAMA'S PLACE AS GUARD
WE NEED A SHOOTER...
"LET THE SMALL PLAYERS THRIVE"
THAT'S ALSO ONE OF THE GOALS OF THIS GAME.
.....
THERE'S A LIMIT TO HOW MUCH HEIGHT YOU CAN MAKE UP WITH SPEED AND SKILL
BUT SAKAMAKI REFUSES TO FIGHT HEIGHT WITH HEIGHT.
12

TOO SHORT...! IT'S GONNA MISS!!
HE'S BEHIND THE BOARD...!!
AGAIN...
!
YOKOHAMA TAIETA
10
4
12

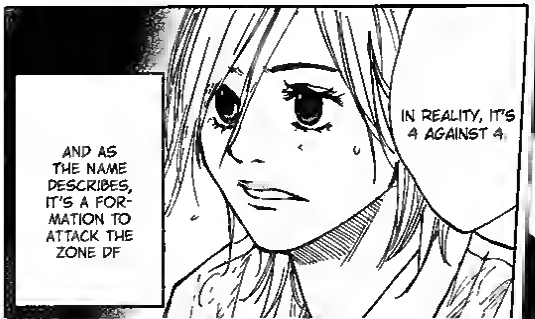
So hot
OOH... WHAT WAS THAT?!
IT WAS LIKE THE BALL WAS SUCKED IN BY THE NET!!
GOOD LUCK, MOKICHI-KUN.
FIGHT!!
COULD IT BE THAT YOU'RE A MAGI-CIAN?!
OF COURSE
DUMB-ASS. ANYBODY CAN DO THAT.
PROB-ABLY NOT
DEFENSE !!
3 5 8 3 1
DEFENSE !!
TETSUO!
AGAIN.
SAKAMAKI WANTS TO TRY SOMETHING ELSE OUT.
DEFENSE!!
HOLD THEM BACK!!
AS LONG AS WE CAN HOLD THEM BACK, WE HAVE A CHANCE!


AND THAT'S
A ZONE OF.


WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?
I DON'T THINK THAT PG WILL ATTACK ANYMORE.

IS THIS THAT ISOLATION THINGY?
NO, IT'S NOT.
THEY WENT TO THE SIDE

!
Huh?
?


AND AS THE NAME DESCRIBES, IT'S A FORMATION TO ATTACK THE ZONE OF
IN REALITY, IT'S 4 AGAINST 4.

MOST MAN TO MAN TEAMS CAN HANDLE A ZONE DF TO SOME EXTENT
THE STYLE AND TIMING VARY ACCORDING TO THE OPPONENT S HEIGHT AND SKILLS
BUT THE ZONE OF ADVOCATES THE "YOU WON'T KNOW UNTIL YOU TRY" SPIRIT.
So it's time...
BUT TAIEI HAS SO MUCH HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE WITH THIS THAT IT'S LIKE SECOND NATURE,
BECAUSE IT'S THE ONLY WAY A PUBLIC SCHOOL CAN ACQUIRE AND RETAIN ITS CHAMPION STATUS
IT'S LIKE SAYING THAT NUMBER 23 IS NOT A THREAT.
THE COACH'S ORDERS ARE TOO HARSH.
IT'S HARD TO ADMIT IT, BUT I CAN'T PLAY LIKE SEI.
THIS WAY, I CAN MAKE SPACE NEAR THE 3P LINE
IT SHOULD BE EASIER TO PENETRATE THIS WAY.
What to do ?
THAT WASN'T IN ORDER.
hot.
EH?
THE PG MADE THAT DECISION ON THE SPOT.
BECAUSE...

OUR NUMBER 2 AND NUMBER 3 ARE PENETRATION DEMONS.
YOKOHAMA
15
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HE'S THROUGH!!
NAO MADE TWO MISTAKES.
4
15
THE FIRST WAS NOT GIVING SORA INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO FIGHT AGAINST THE OPPONENT'S ZONE.
AT THAT MOMENT,

HE STOPPED IT!!!

AS LONG AS MOKICHI IS HERE, OUR BASKET IS SAFE!!
HE'S REALLY SOME-THING!!
NICE BLOCK, MOKICHI!!!
THE OTHER ONE,
WAS MISSING THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUB MOKICHI OUT
THE MISTAKES QUIETLY STARTED TO PILE UP
AND SO
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ISN'T THAT CLASS 7'S SHIGEYOSHI?
OHH, NO WONDER.
SEEMS LIKE HE PLAYED BASKETBALL IN MIDDLE SCHOOL.
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT HANAZONO WAS THIS GOOD IN BASKETBALL.
WELL, GYM CLASS IS ABOUT THE ONLY THING HE EXCELS AT SO IT'S NO WONDER.
HIS BIG BROTHER HAS GOOD GRADES THOUGH.

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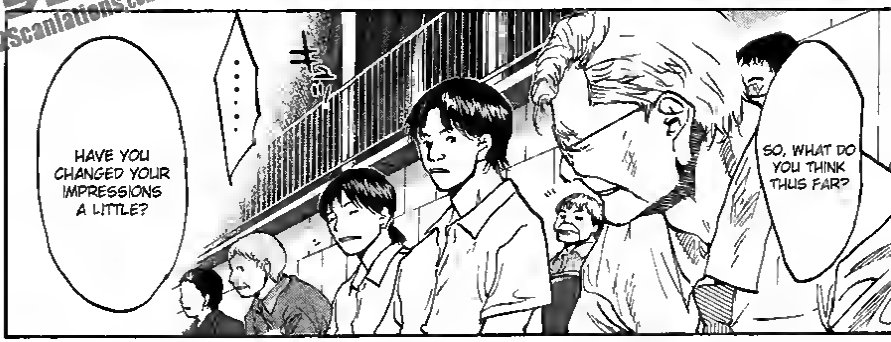
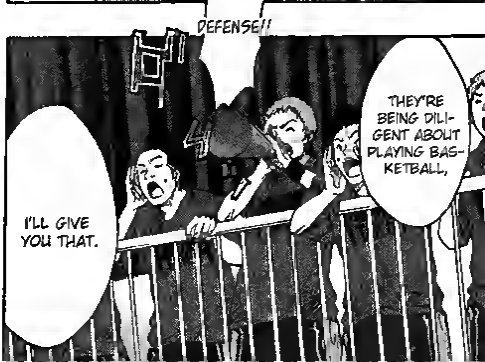




—YEAH, OF COURSE.
THAT'S UNDER-STANDABLE.
OOOH
YOSH, NICE PASS!!
7
12
11
19

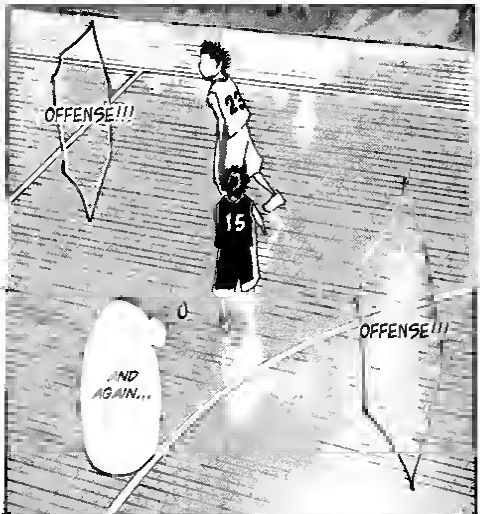
YOKOHAMA KAIEI
23
YOKOHAMA KAIEI
11
YOU AGAIN...
STOP BOTHERING ME.
WHERE DA HELL DID HE COME FROM—?!

COUNTER-!!
HE DID IT—!!
NICE BLOCK—!!!!
—THIS SHORTY.
Damn
HE'S RUNNING NONSTOP.
LIKE YER GET-TING AWAY THAT EASILY, YA DUMBASS.
HALLO!
!

FUWAA!!!
?
IT WAS A REFLEX
Why'd you call me then?
Are you stupid?
—WHY'D YOU STOP?
FUWA, YOUR JOB—
IS TO STOP HIM, NUMBER 11, FROM SCORING IN THIS QUARTER.

WHAT . ? WHAT THE HECK KIND OF TRAINING DO THEY DO?
IN THIS KIND OF HEAT..
AND HE'S NOT EVEN BREATHING HARD
FIRST THAT OTHER GUY AND NOW THIS COCKSCOMB THESE TAIEI PLAYERS SURE CAN RUN, MAN..

※ IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GAME



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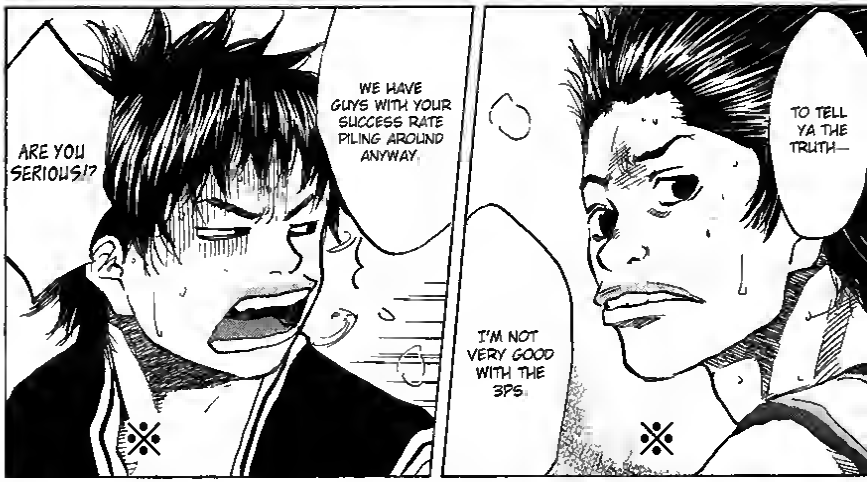
HAAH
THE ONLY PLUS SHORTIES HAVE ARE SPEED AND DRIVE.
YOU TRAINED YOUR 3PS CUZ YOU'RE SHORT, RIGHT?
MUST BE CUZ OF THAT.
IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GAME



BUT YOU KNOW,
BUT YOU'VE GOT SOME BACK-BONE
I'M ALWAYS NERVOUS WHEN IT COMES TO THIS
SO TAIE! HAS GUYS LIKE THIS TOO...
I can relate.
I MIGHT NOT LOOK IT, BUT I'M ACTUALLY TERRIFIED.
DON'T TELL ANYBODY,
BUT I KNEW AS SOON AS THE MATCH-UPS WERE ANNOUNCED

KURUMATANI-KUN, COVER!!!
KOKU

YOKOHAMA
TAIEI
23
5
BUT YOU KNOW—
YOKOHAMA
TAIEI
10

HE'S FREE!!
I STILL WEAR THE TAIEI UNIFORM.
I'M NOT SURE
I CAN MAKE IT ANY LONGER IF THIS MISSES
BECAUSE,
IN TAIEI, IT'S THE SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST!
TAIEI
23

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3 8 6 3 1
DEFENSE!!!
DEFENSE!!
KEEP IT UP, MOKICHI-KUN
12
HAA
HE'S NOT TAKING THE "BAIT" AT ALL...
COULD IT BE THAT HE'S MORE THAN JUST A POWER-HOUSE...?!!
HAA

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15
HE CHIPPED IT..!!
IT'S GONNA MISS!!!

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GETTING DRAWS IS TOO EASY.
※
I'M STARTING TO STRESS OUT.
OH
YEAH, SHIRAISHI.
WELL DONE.

AWE-
SOME...!!!
NICE,
ITOGA-
SENPAI!!!
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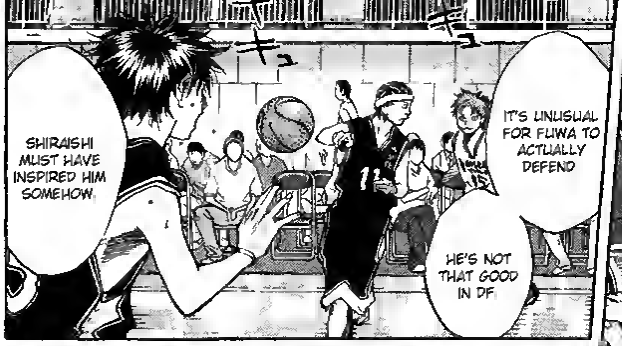
I DON'T THINK WE'LL EVER MEET AGAIN.
NOTHIN' MUCH TO IT THOUGH.
I NEVER THOUGHT WE'D MEET AGAIN SO SOON
I WAS STARTIN' TO GET TIRED OF WAITIN'.
YOKOHAMA TAIEI
15
11
4



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I'M PARTIAL TOWARDS KUZU-HIGH, SO NUMBER 11 IS MY BET
I'VE PLAYED AGAINST NATSUME BEFORE
AND HE'S NOT JUST FOR SHOW. HE'S THE REAL DEAL...
HATES TAIEI.

DEFEND!!!
DEFEND!!!
11

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—NATSUME-KUN HAS BECOME PRETTY OBEDIENT.
I WONDER WHO THOUGHT OF MAKING HIM AN SG?
WHAT A BRAT.
I've been wondering
COULD IT BE—
THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO FIGHT ME?
DON'T BE IMPATIENT.
WE HAVE ALL DA TIME IN DA WORLD.
IT'S GOOD THAT YOUR PLAN IS WORKING SO FAR.
He's more mature than you.
WELL—
DEFEND!!
THEIR SITUATIONS ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, NANAO-SAN.
BUT EVEN IF THEY'RE BOTH DOING THE SAME,

DEFEND!
HAA
I THOUGHT IT WAS GOOD THAT I GOT MATCHED UP AGAINST A SHORTER PLAYER,
BUT I CAN'T GET PAST HIM, LIKE I WOULD A TALLER PLAYER, AT ALL ..!!
HAA
YOU'RE COMING UP ON YER 24 SECONDS, SORA-BOU!!
WHOA WHOA.

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IT'S BECOMING MORE DIFFICULT TO SCORE
AAH— SO CLOSE—!
YOKOHAMA TAIGA

IT'S WEAK AGAINST 3PS OR ALLEY-OOPS,
A ZONE DF HAS A MAJOR WEAKNESS:
—IT'S NOT JUST SCORING
WHICH BASICALLY CREATES GAPS AROUND THE 3P LINE,
ESPECIALLY A BOX FORMATION LIKE THIS,
THAT'S GETTING HARDER.

IN THE WORST CASE SCENARIO, WHEN THE OPPONENT TEAM HAS PLAYERS THAT ARE BOTH GOOD AT DRIVING AND PASSING
YOKONAMA STATE
10
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FUNK
HE'S FORCING HIS WAY IN...!!!

!!
NICE PASS!!!

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AWE-SOME..!!
IT'S IN!!!
23
15
11
ISN'T HE ABOUT TOBI'S HEIGHT!?
AGAIN—!!
WITH THIS,
THE DIF-FERENCE IS CLEAR—

10
12
12
7
11
15

!
?
WHERE ARE YOU GOING YOUZAN?
AWESOME, SO COOL!
CHARGED TIME-OUT, KUZURYUU HIGH SCHOOL!!
I'M GOING DOWNSTAIRS TO GET READY.
IT'S HALF-TIME IN 5 MINUTES,
THEN A JUMP SHOT RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE.
PASSING AFTER PENETRATING,
ALLEY-OOP,
3 MOVES
4
4
5
3

I THINK WE SHOULD SUB MOKICHI.
WE SHOULD SAVE HIM FOR LATER.
IT'S OKAY.
That little
THEY'RE PRESSING ALL THE ANTI-ZONE OF BUTTONS.
AND NOTHING WILL PROBABLY CHANGE EVEN IF WE RETURN TO MAN-TO-MAN.
I WILL NEVER
STEP IN THE SAME RUT AGAIN.
Rut?
YOSH, WELL SAID
WILL THEY SUB AND GO BACK TO MAN-TO-MAN?
NO,
THEY'LL PANIC IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS AND NOT RISK WEAKENING THE AREA UNDERNEATH THE GOAL.
THEY'LL PROBABLY SWITCH TO A 3-2 OR MAYBE A 2-1-2.
IT SEEMS AS IF THE ZONE OF WAS MADE FOR NUMBER 12 WITH HIS BAD FOOTWORK.
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TETSUO!
YES SIR, I KNOW.
I couldn't do anything after all.
BUT KEEP AT IT IN THE ZONE UNDER THE GOAL.
UNDERSTOOD SUPPORT THE OUTSIDE TILL THE END,
SO I'M BEING SUBBED...
FUWA AND YOKOYAMA
STRENG-THEN THE OUTSIDE,

EH?
I WANT YOU, WITH YOUR 164CM HEIGHT, TO DESTROY THAT ZONE.
FROM HERE ON, YOU'RE GONNA ATTACK FROM WITHIN.

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WE ARE CURRENTLY
RECRUITING J/E TRANSLATOR
AND TYPESETTER.
PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE IN OUR FB PAGE.
AND OUH CLICK THE LIKE BUTTON WHEN
YOU VISIT OUR PAGE.
WE DO NOT OWN THE MANGA YOU'RE ABOUT TO READ
PLEASE SUPPORT THE MANGAKA AND OR MANGA BY BUYING THIS
WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE TO YOUR COUNTRY OR REGION

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TETSUO SEMPAI WILL ...
DESTROY THE ZONE ?
.... NO WAY ?
SFX = KYU SFX = DAMU
ISN'T HE USING TETSUO A LITTLE TOO MUCH?
DAMN YOHITO..
WELL... HE ALWAYS STAYED SO LATE AT PRACTICE THAT HE HAD TO EAT ALONE
SO I'LL GIVE HIM THAT MUCH
WE HAVE NO SHORTAGE OF GUARDS
THERE'S NOTHING TO GIVE ....

WE DON'T HAVE A SINGLE GUY THAT DOESN'T WORK DILIGENTLY.
SFX BI
!!
TOO HIGH
WHOA THEY'RE NOT COUNTE-RING !!
HAA
HAA
THE 3 MAN WALL UNDER-NEATH IS TRULY MAGNI-FICENT !!
OO-OOH NICE BLOCK !
PNSCANS

!!
HE'S THAT FAR AL-READY
THAT #11 IS DAMN FAST ...!!
GRIN
15

SFX ZUDA
OOOH !!
SFX HYU
PMSCANS
SFX PASHI
THAT WAS TOO RISKY YA DUMBASS
SORRY
THAT ORANGE IS AMA-ZING
OH
HE STOPPED HIIIIM ---- !!
YOKOHAMA TAIEI 15
HEY
!!

WANNA HEAR SOMETHING GOOD..?
!
...!
SFX KYU
OOFFENSE
HE'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THE 1ST QUARTER
IT'S CUZ HE FOUND A BIRD OF THE SAME FEATHER TO FLY WITH
IF THAT WAS REALLY SO HE WOULDN'T HAVE BAT AN EYELASH AT HIM
.....
—AND HE EVEN SAID HE WASNT INTERESTED
—WHICH SEEMS UNLIKELY ....

A 2-1-2 ...
ISN'T THAT TOO FAR TO THE FRONT?
IT MUST BE HARD UNDERNEATH THE GOAL WITH THOSE 3 BIG GUYS
YOKOYAMA-SEMPAI CAN'T GET FREE
SO WHAT'S TETSUO-SEMPAI GONNA DO ...?
THERE'S 3PS!!
KEEP YOUR EYE ON #20
20
15
7
PMSCANS
YOU WILL BRING THAT ZONE DOWN WITH YOUR 164CM
.....
SFX SASH!

SFX KYU
12
7
23
DON'T LET HIM IN!!
DON'T MIND HIM !!
YOKONAN TAIEI
23
TETSUO-SEMPAI AT THE LOW POST ..!?

DON'T LEAVE HIM ALONE !!
PMSCANS
SFX DAMU
!!
MOKI-CHI-KUN !!

SFX DAMU
12
!!
#12 IS THEIR CRACK
IF YOU GET THE BALL CUT IN THROUGH THE SHOOTING CORNER
THEIR SHALLOW DEFENCE WON'T REACH THE LOW POST
YOKOHAMA TAIEI 23
AFTER THAT, IT'S UP TO YOU
IF YOU DON'T SCORE FROM THERE, THEN THE MISTAKE IS YOURS

SFX BA
DBEEEEHHH
!
WAAAAAAAAA
THE 2M WALL IS CRAC-KING ---!!
AND THE ONE DOING IT IS THE 160CM TETSUO-SEMPAI .....!!
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A SMALL PLAYER'S STRONGEST WEAPON WILL ALWAYS BE HIS DRIVING PROWESS
BUT IN THE END THAT'S NOTHING BUT PLUSH
THEY TRAIN THEIR 3PS OR PASSES CLOSE TO PERFECTION
SMALLER PLAYERS RELY TOO MUCH ON SKILLS
JUST LIKE THEIR #15 OR OUR YOUZAN
SFX DO
YOKOHAMA TAIEI
THE BIGGEST THREAT TO ANY DF
WOOO OOSSH !!

WOOOOOOO
IT'S TETSUO-SEMPAI AGAIIIIN ---!!
AT THAT POINT
.....
TO THINK SHIGE-YOSHI-KUN WOULD BE HIS TARGET ...
....
TALK ABOUT A MIS-MATCH ....
IT BECAME EVIDENT THAT KUZU-HIGH'S ZONE DF WOULDN'T WORK ANYMORE AGAINST THEIR OPPONENT TAIEI
HATE TO ADMIT IT, BUT YOU HAVE THE HEIGHT
BUT YOUR IN AND OUTSIDE BALANCE IS A WRECK YOU GUYS ....
SFX DAMU

SFX BASHI...
20
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WAAAAAAAAAA
SFX BASU
バース
20
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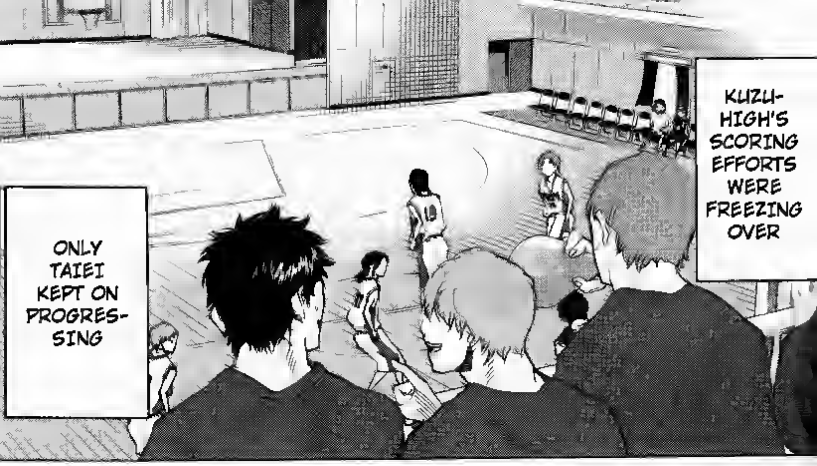
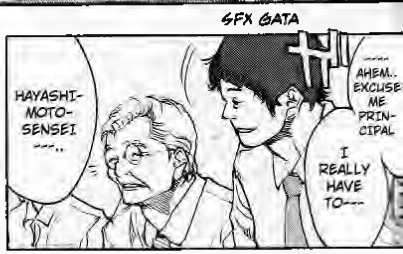
YOKO-YAMA !!


KUZU-HIGH'S SCORING EFFORTS WERE FREEZING OVER
ONLY TAIEI KEPT ON PROGRES-SING

THE GAP WAS 20 POINTS AND CLIMBING
51 31
WITH CLOSE TO 4 MINUTES REMAINING IN THE 2ND QUARTER

SFX GATA
IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME TOO THEN
I HAVE TO PREPARE THE SUMMER COURSES AS WELL ....


SFX GATA
HAYASHI-MOTO-SENSEI ---..
---- AHEM.. EXCUSE ME PRIN-CIPAL
I REALLY HAVE TO---

WATCHING ANYMORE IS WORTH-LESS ANYWAY
!!!

YOO OSH
A LITTLE MORE
HAA
HAA
PUSHING BLACK #12 !!
23
PMSCANS

SFX PIII

HOW CAN THIS HAPPEN WITH OUR BEST MEMBERS?
SPEAKING OF ...
FOCUSING ON MOKICHI ....
THEY'RE ....

IS THERE REALLY NO CHANCE OF VICTORY ....?
.....

SFX KYU
FU UU ...
SEXUALE
SFX GASHU
CAN A BASKETBALL GAME REALLY CHANGE THAT MUCH IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE?
HE SCORED BOTH OF THEM !!
YOKOHAMA TAIEI A
11
IT'S BEEN ROCKY FROM THE START OF THE 2ND Q
CAN'T AFFORD ANYMORE MISTAKES ...

YES ----
NO MORE MISTAKES ....!!

EVEN WITH SUCH A SLENDER PHYSIQUE HE'S CLOSE TO YOUR LEVEL CHIBA...
HE WAS THE ONLY 1ST YEAR TO BE CHOSEN OF HIS TIME
THAT YAKUMA IS THE BOTTOM OF THE FOOD CHAIN BUT I KNOW HIM WELL
ARE ORDINARY PLAYS LIKE THOSE FREE-THROWS
WHAT'S EVEN MORE DAMAGING THAN FUWA'S FLASHY PLAYS
SFX KYU

FIRST WE GOTTA STOP THE FLOW ...
WE HAVE TO START BY STOPPING A SINGLE SHOT
ISN'T THIS
WHAT THE PG IS FOR?
HASN'T DONE ANYTHING YET

IT'S NO USE I CAN'T GET IN AT ALL ....!!
HAA
HAA
HE'S PROBABLY ALWAYS BEEN A C
THOSE MOVEMENTS ARE THE MOVEMENTS OF A C
?
AT LEAST THE AFRO WAS MORE FUN

SFX DA
MOKI-CHI-KUN !!
PMSCANS
OOOH ---- HOW ENER-GETIC !!
A SWITCH !!
SFX DAMU
---- LET'S GO ..!!

SFX: BA
FAST ..!!
!!
YOKOHAMA TAIEI

SFX BASHI
12
PMSCANS
SHIT
DOOOHHHZNZ
DOOOHHHZNZ

YOU'RE NOT THERE YET
DAMN!
THAT WAS TOO OBVIOUS
HOW'D HE STOP THAT!?
AAA AAH !!!

SFX KYU
ONE POINT
WE'RE GONNA STOP THEM !!!
SFX DAMU
SFX KYU
CHANGING AFTER SOME-THING HAPPENS
AND THEN AGAIN WHEN SOMETHING ELSE HAPPENS
THEY'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO STOP THEM LIKE THAT
SFX DAMU
OOOOHEEYE!!
THAT MANAGER SCREWED UP
SHE SHOULD HAVE REACTED THE MOMENT THE PG MOVED
SFX KYU KKKYUU
BACK TO MAN-TO-MAN ?
OF COURSE IF ANYTHING IT TOOK THEM TOO LONG
AND
THE HITS JUST KEEP ON COMING

SFX KYU..
!!
12
PMSCANS
WHAT'S WRONG ?
DOING AT THAT POSI-TION ..?
WHAT'S A C...
---MOKI-CHI-KUN !?
NO IT'S A BLUFF ...
HE'LL PROBABLY JUST DRIVE TH-OUGH TH--
5

LOOKS LIKE I'VE BEEN LOOKED DOWN UPON
!!!
3 POINTS?
A CENTER

SFX BASU
19
4
7
SFX PASA
5
6
A
C HAS A JOB ON THE OUTSIDE AS WELL
ESPECIALLY AGAINST YOUR KIND
WHY ARE YOU BAFFLED?
WOW
----HH
HHE SCORED
YOU'D BE THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY IF YOU COULD DO THAT
LEAVE ME ALONE

IN OTHER WORDS
WITHOUT THAT HE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO RISE TO HIS POSITION IN THE COUNTRY
11
PMSCANS
MOKI-CHI-KUN ...
HAA
HAA
YAKKU IS TOO NICE ..
?

...
SFX DO
FUWA IS LETTING HIM GET IN TOO EASILY
WANNA HEAR SOMETHING GOOD..?
SFX DAMU
JUST RELAX!
AND LET IT GO

FADE AWAY !!
!
SFX SHU
15
PMSCANS
IT MIII-IISS-SED ---- !!!
SFX KYU
SFX GASHA
11
12

SFX GA
DAMMIT... AM I THIS USELESS !!!?
SFX BASHI
DON'T LET THEM ATTACK KURUMA-TANI -KUN !!
YOKOHAMA TAIEI
19
11
12
"cccc"OH, SH..

SFX DON
YOKOHAMA TATEI
15
PMSCANS
15
SFX DAMU
YA LISTA!!!

YOKOHAMA FALCONS
15
TO BE EMBARRASSED ABOUT LOSING
THERE'S NO REASON ...
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EFX: BUWA

CUZ DA TEAM YER FIGHTING ...
15
IS DESTINED TO BECOME JAPAN'S BEST
PMSCANS

LET'S GO
I CAN'T WATCH ANY LONGER
EH YES
SFX GATA
PLEASE EXCUSE US
AH NO ....

!
EH?

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TYPESETTER:
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WE DO NOT OWN THE MANGA YOU'RE ABOUT TO READ
PLEASE SUPPORT THE MANGAKA AND OR MANGA BY BUYING THIS
WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE TO YOUR COUNTRY OR REGION

CHAPTER 125
GO START ON

PP..
P-PLEASE WAIT !!
WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GAME
SO AT LEAST WATCH TILL THE EN---..
WE NEVER SAID WE'D WATCH TILL THE END
IT'LL BE TOO HARD ON THOSE KIDS IF WE KEEP WATCHING "THAT"
DON'T GO SPEAKING LIKE THEIR LOSS HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED
WHAT'S GOING ON---..
SAIT-SUKI-SEN-SEI ---
WELL..
JUST TO BE CLEAR
WE ONLY CAME HERE BECAUSE OF THE PRIN-CIPAL

IT'S NOT LIKE WE CAME TO WATCH CUZ WE FELT OBLIGATED OR ANYTHING
BUT TO THINK THE HANAZONO BROTHERS OR YASUHARA AND THE REST OF THE GROUP WOULD ACTUALLY PLAY BASKETBALL THIS SERIOUSLY
I'M TRULY MOVED
MANY OF THE TEACHERS WERE IN CLUBS WHEN THEY WERE STUDENTS
AT THIS POINT I MIGHT EVEN SAY
THAT I WOULD ACCEPT BEING THE ADVISOR TO THEIR HOBBYIST GROUP
WHAT THEY'RE AIMING FOR IS A PLACE BEYOND THE OPPONENT THEY'RE FIGHTING ISN'T IT?
NICE SHOT !!
?
YY-YYOU MEAN
BUT THAT'S NOT IT IS IT?

PRINCIPAL, DO YOU HONESTLY THINK---
THAT THEY CAN REACH THAT PLACE WITH JUST THEIR STRENGTH ?

PUNK..
WOO..
CRUSH HIM MOMO-HARU !!
TCH.
15

!!
15
15

15
7
ONE GOO-OAL
SCORE A DAMN GOOAAL ....

IT'S HALF TIME !!!
FIRST HALF OVER ---!!!

JUST 2 GOALS
IN 10 MINUTES ...
HAA
HAA
WW-WWASNT IT MUCH WORSE WHEN WE FOUGHT AGAINST MARU-HIGH?
COMPARED TO THAT ----
THERE'S MORE YET
MOOOO-RON
WE DIDN'T HAVE POINT GETTERS BACK THEN
HAA
HAA
12
11
AND WE HAVE THIS MUCH OF A GAP....!!
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2
0
3
BUT TODAY WE HAVE TOBI AND MOKICHI

HAA
THE FIRST HALF--- NO
TO BE MORE PRECISE THEY WIDENED THE GAP BY 20 POINTS IN THE 2ND QUARTER ....
HAA
EVEN THE TEACHER'S GAVE UP ON US
THEY EVEN LEFT
OOO! THERE'S STILL THE SECOND HALF YOU KNOW
!
KU-RUMA-TANI ---
'AM SAKA-MAKI NICE TO MEET-CHA
SORA-KUN, RIGHT?
AH HELLO
HUH? HOW'D HE KNOW MY NAME ---
!!
STARE

THAT PLAY THAT YAKUMA STOPPED
YOU CAN SEE IT IN THE EYES WHEN SOMEBODY WON'T SHOOT
WASN'T IT OBVIOUS FROM THE START THAT YOU WOULD PASS?
THIS YOUR FIRST GAME PLAYING PG?
HE LOOKS FAMILIAR ....?
15
NO IT'S KIND OF THE SECOND ---
A PG'S ACTIONS ARE VERY IMPORTANT WHEN THE POINT GAP GROWS

IT'S BACHIGUU IF YOU CAN DO THAT!!
SOMETHING LIKE "IM GOING TO HELL AND BACK SO FOLLOW ME IF YOU WANT"
SO WHAT IF YOU'D MISSED
WHATS IMPORTANT IS TO SHOW YOUR COMRADES HOW DETERMINED YOU ARE
BACHI-GUU YOU SAY..
15

TLN - (BACHI=GUU = BACCHRI=GOOD = VERY VERY=GOOD = EXCELLENT!)

YOU STILL HAVE WAYS TO GO
EH?

MMM-MMY MOTHER ---

!!
HM?

WAS THERE...
AH ERMM

BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR DNA
THAT 3P AT THE BEGINNING WAS GOOD
AND YOUR SENSE DOESN'T SEEM HALF BAD EITHER

SS. IM SORRY GUYS ----..
---- WHY. #OUT WHAT ?
6
4
ABOUT ME ACCEPTING THE TAIEI GAME AND SO ...
!
!
NABE ..

IT'S STILL
WE SHOULD HAVE PICKED A DIFFERENT
WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TALKING TO!?
TOO EARLY !!

BUT EVEN MORE SO ---
IN-CLUDING MYSELF
I'M DISAP-POINTED AT OUR SHORT-COMINGS ESPECIALLY TO BE HANDED TO US BY OTHERS

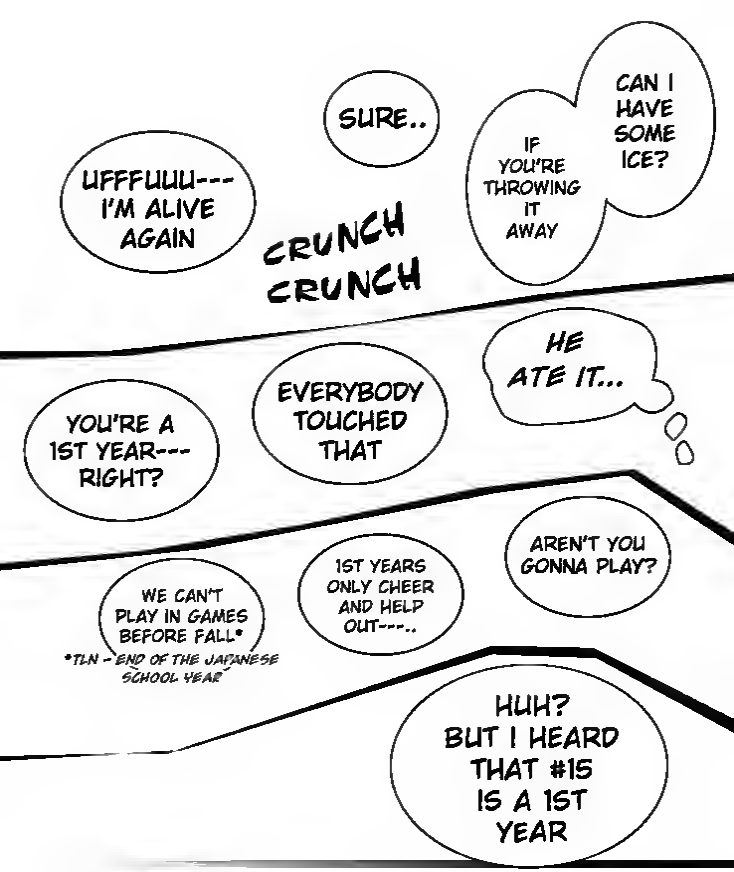
THE ONE SUFFERING THE MOST TODAY IS NAO-CHAN

IT'S STILL TOO EARLY TO GIVE UP
I WON'T NEVER LET IT END WITH THIS

BUT THE WORLD IS A HUGE PLACE...
SPLASH
SPLASH
CUZ WE'RE PLAYING WITH TOBI-KUN AND MOKICHI-KUN
WE GOT INTO OUR HEADS THAT WE'RE INVIN-CIBLE
BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR DNA
AND YOUR SENSE DOESN'T SEEM HALF BAD EITHER
THAT 3P AT THE BEGINNING WAS GOOD
SPLASH
SHIIT!
SPLASH
DID HE MEAN THAT I'M NOT WORTHY TO BE 'HER SON'?

GLANCE

THAT


UFFFUUU--- I'M ALIVE AGAIN
SURE..
CAN I HAVE SOME ICE?
IF YOU'RE THROWING IT AWAY
CRUNCH CRUNCH
HE ATE IT...
EVERYBODY TOUCHED THAT
YOU'RE A 1ST YEAR--- RIGHT?
AREN'T YOU GONNA PLAY?
1ST YEARS ONLY CHEER AND HELP OUT----..
WE CAN'T PLAY IN GAMES BEFORE FALL*
*TLN - END OF THE JAPANESE SCHOOL YEAR
HUH? BUT I HEARD THAT #15 IS A 1ST YEAR

AFTER 3 AND A HALF WEEKS OF
SEARCHING THIS CHAPTER'S LOST PAGE,
WE GAVE UP. SO THIS 2 PAGE PANEL IS EMPTY.
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AND KINDLY GIVE IT TO US
SO WE CAN FINALLY COMPLETE IT.

~ PINOYMANGA STAFF

YOHI-TO?
FAVORED BY YOHITO
HYOU IS
THE ONE WITH THE MIKAN* COLORED HAIR--
*TLN – MIKAN = ORANGE FRUIT
EH.. DD-DOESNT HE GET MAD?
EVERY-BODY CALLS HIM BY HIS NAME
AAH OUR COACH ....
YOU DON'T NEED TO CALL ME COACH
UNTIL I MAKE THIS JAPANS NUMBER 1 TEAM
AT THE ENTRANCE CERE-MONY ---
FAITH?
BE-CAUSE WE HAVE FAITH

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HE MIGHT BE A WEIRDO BUT WE ALL TRUST HIM
SO LET'S RISE UP, TOGETHER
IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I THOUGHT
REALLY?
T-THAT'S AMAZING
THEIR ATTITUDE--
TTH..
LATER THEN...
WE'RE JUST ALL TALK AND NO TROUSERS....
WON'T YOU BE LATE?
MAYBE
AH YES I'M ON MY WAY

WERE YOU CONFIDENT ABOUT THAT FIRST 3P?
IT LOOKED VERY RECKLESS FROM WHAT WE SAW....
YEAH
I'M CONFI-DENT
THAT ALONE I WILL NEVER LOSE TO ANY-BODY

IT'S GONNA BE HARD TO CATCH UP
BUT WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF GIVING UP
AT THE VERY LEAST WE CAN CLOSE THE 30 POINT GAP WITH 10 3P'S
AH THERE YOU ARE !!
IS HE STUPID..?
WHAT A SORE LOSER...
10 3P'S HE SAYS AN HONEST PLAYER WOULDN'T SAY SOMETHING SO FOOLISH...
OH YEAH
I HAVEN'T ASKED YOUR NAME

KAMIKI
YOUZAN
YOU-ZAN*
WHAT A WEIRD NAME
AHHH--- I HATE THIS GUY
TLN: *YOUZAN CAN ALSO MEAN MATH
I'M KURU-MATANI SORA
I LOOK FORWARD TO FIGHTING AGAINST YOUZAN-KUN NEXT YEAR THEN
LET'S ENJOY
HANG ON
DID YOU JUST SAY KURU-MATANI?
YUP, I SAID KURU-MATA-NI
WHY?
AH WELL IT'S AN UNUSUAL SURNAME SO I WAS WONDE-RING

EH?
WAS CALLED KURU-MA-TANI
15
CUZ THE PERSON WHO TAUGHT ME BASKET-BALL

I READ THAT A SINGLE ROOM WILL COST AROUND 80 MILLION YEN
IT'S GOING TO BE A 70 FLOOR TOWER MANSION
OH MY, WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT
JUST A FEW YEARS AGO THIS AREA HAD NOTHING AT ALL AND NOW, IT'S BEING DEVELOPED
WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE WILL LIVE THERE?
MY GOODNESS THEY FINISHED SO MANY FLOORS ALREADY....

JUST KEEPS GETTING SMALLER
THE SKY

I CAME TOO EARLY
WHAT SHOULD I DO? SHOULD I GO LOOK AROUND SOME-WHERE ...?
WHAT AM I DOING ...?
MAA-DOOO KAAA-CHANN
IT SHOULD BE AROUND HALF TIME NOW
WILL YOU COME WATCH OUR GAME ONE MORE TIME!?

AREN'T YOU EARLY?
ISN'T IT AN UNWRITTEN RULE FOR WOMEN TO MAKE GUYS WAIT
WHAT'S YOUR POISON?
IT'S HOT ISN'T IT?
ERMM. PEACH TEA
I'M COMING OVER AS TOO NEEDY....
ICE CREAM AND
CRAP
THANKS FOR TODAY ---
I DIDN'T REALLY THINK YOU'D COME
DIDN'T YOU GO HOME BEFORE COMING?
SPEAKING OF WHY'RE YOU IN YOUR UNIFORM ON A DATE?
Yes i did but ...
IT'S ACTUALLY BETTER THIS WAY I'VE GOT A UNIFORM FETISH

CUZ I REALLY MEAN IT
WHY HE SAYS ..
--- SAY TSU-KA-SA-KUN..
DO YOU TELL THAT LINE TO ALL THE GIRLS ?
YES I DO WHY?
OH YEAH REMEM-BER THAT TIME--
--I MIGHT BE CLUMSY
YOU'RE AMA-ZING
REAL-LY?

WE'RE HAVING A CONVERSATION
BUT MY MIND IS COMPLETELY SOMEWHERE ELSE
NORMALLY YOU WOULD HEARD THE TRAFFIC SOUNDS
BUT IT'S ALL QUIET
I KNOW THERE'S NO WAY IT'S POSSIBLE
BUT I CAN HEAR SORA-KUN'S DRIBBLE IN THE DISTANCE
WOULD BE NICE IF THEY WON....

ZOO OOO OO OO
PHEW
HE'S DOING WELL FOR HIS SIZE THOUGH
WHEN YOU LOOK UP CLOSE HE'S REALLY SMALL
ZZ ZE EEE EE
TAUGHT YOU..?
龍球
tree nine heads DORAGON

M-MMY MOTHER DID .?
15
HEY KURU-MATANI-KUN ...
CAN YOU MAKE IT TO THE BEST 8?
?
!
WE'LL PROBABLY BE A SEED NEXT YEAR TOO
!
WHICH MEANS THAT WE CAN FIGHT EACH OTHER IN THE SEMI FINALS RIGHT?

I DON'T THINK YOUZAN-KUN WILL GET TO PLAY THOUGH
cuz you're short
you're one to talk
15
I'LL PLAY ....
IN THAT CASE
I WILL MAKE IT THERE
GRATEFUL TO YOUR DNA
HOW-EVER
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN GRATEFUL ....
YEAH
WHAT I'M AIMING FOR ISNT THE BEST 8

I'M GLAD YOURE TALLER THAN ME
IT'S THE BEST IN THE JAPAN
I HOPE NO PLAYER
THE BEST SMALL PLAYER ..!!

SMALLER THAN
ME WILL APPEAR IN THE
NEXT 3 YEARS
110
HALF
TIME
IS
OVER
!!

Chapter 126 Arrow

DO YOU REMEMBER ME!?
YOU YEAH, YOU!!
HEY YOU !!!
HEY FIRST YEARS, GO BACK UP
CALM DOWN MINETA
END OF THEIR ENCOUNTER
WHAT THE HELL!?
NOPE
WE THOUGHT ABOUT TOO MANY THINGS
DURING THE FIRST HALF

IT'S ALSO MY FAULT FOR FOCUSING TOO MUCH ON OUR STRATEGY
AND WE WERE UNABLE TO DEAL WITH THE SITUATION
SINCE OUR OPPONENTS WERE TAIEI, WE ENDED UP GETTING NERVOUS AND WORKED UP
AS A RESULT
620
THERE'S NOW SUCH A LARGE POINT DIFFERENCE
NANAO
DON'T BE SO COCKY
OVER HALF OF IT IS FROM THEIR ACTUAL STRENGTH
IT'S NOT REALLY YOUR FAULT
THEN WHAT ABOUT THE OTHER HALF?
OBVIOUSLY FROM OUR OWN ACTUAL STRENGTH
DON'T ASK SOMETHING LIKE THAT
BUT ON THE CONTRARY, IT BECOMES SO SIMPLE
BECAUSE MOVING WHILE THINKING ABOUT THIS AND THAT DON'T GO WELL TOGETHER

IN THE SECOND HALF, IT'LL BE ALL MAN TO MAN
WE'LL FIGHT THEM HEAD ON
WE'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU GUYS!!
GO MAKE THE COMEBACK!!!

HUH?
THE ONES THAT LEFT ARE THE TEACHERS THAT SAW NOTHING
MORE THAN HALF OF THE TEACHERS LEFT
WELL, IT CAN'T BE HELPED
I'M ACTUALLY GLAD IT TURNED OUT THIS WAY
THE ONES THAT ARE STILL HERE
ARE THOSE THAT WILL TRULY SEE SOMETHING
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG SENSEI?
IT'S STARING
AH, NO IT'S NOTHING
I HATE THAT MOHAWK
PRETTY MUCH ONLY THE PE TEACHERS ARE LEFT...
I'M GONNA GET KILLED
THEY WON'T BE MISLED BY SOMETHING LIKE THIS, RIGHT?
HE THOUGHT ABOUT ALL OF THAT WITH SUCH A STUPID LOOK ON HIS FACE

OK
THE REAL BATTLE BEGINS FROM HERE ON OUT
OFFENSE
OFFENSE
OFFENSE
CHANGE THE MATCHUP..?
...
THEN MOMOI-KUN WILL BE TAKING ON YAKUMA..
I SEE
YES
WH..ME!?
BUT CHIAKI'S THE CENTER WHEN MOKICHI'S OUT
IT'S THE ONLY CHOICE
HUH!?

JUST THAT HUH
JUST THAT
JUST IN MOMENTUM
SHUT UP!!!
THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN KEEP UP WITH HIS MOMENTUM IS MOMOHARU SENPAI
SHIT
OFFENSE!!
OFFENSE!!!

OFFENSE!!
DEFENSE
OFFENSE!!
OFFENSE!!
OH
SINCE OUR OPPONENT IS TALL, IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTE- WHO I'M MARKING

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GOOD JOB RUKAWA!!
NICE SHOT!!
INCREDIBLE....
WHAT IS HIS BODY MADE OF..
15
YOU DON'T NEED TO TELL ME THAT
IN FACT, YOU HAVE THE HARD PART SINCE YOUR MARK IS THAT GUY
YOU UNDERSTAND, RIGHT TOBI?
IN ORDER FOR US TO CATCH UP, YOU MUST BE ABLE TO STOP THAT GUY

LONGER....
JUST A LITTLE....
?
ACTUALLY
THERE'S A REASON FOR IT
OFFENSE!!
THAT ORANGE HEAD IS AMAZING
IS THAT LICKING A HABIT?
IT'S KIND OF CREEPY
WHAA...
AH, BY DOING THAT
YOU'LL MAKE FULL USE OF YOUR BODY
I BECAME THE MODEL
SINCE IT DIDN'T GET ANY TAKE
FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN YOU ROTATE YOUR BODY TO THE POINT WHERE IT CAN'T TURN ANYMORE
BY STICKING OUT YOUR TONGUE, YOU CAN GO OVER THAT LIMIT A LITTLE
I DON'T THINK WE'RE GONNA WIN....

IT'S A 30 POINT DIFFERENCE
IF WE SLOWLY ATTACK, IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO CATCH UP...
DEFENSE
LET'S SCORE A POINT
BUT FOR US, DEPENDING ON HOW THIS MATCH GOES, I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF WE CAN BECOME A CLUB
THEY'RE THE SCHOOL THAT WON THE KANTOU TOURNAMENT AND PLAYED IN THE INTERHIGH
IT'S SO FAR AWAY

I GOT YOU!!
AH
YOKOHAMA TAIEI
23
15
23
!!
UH-OH
IMPRESSIVE
!!

THERE ARE HARDLY ANY SHORT PLAYERS
THAT MANAGE TO SCORE WITHOUT SOME KIND OF WALL IN FRONT OF THEIR EYES
IN THE "CROSS-ROAD"
IF YOU GET THE MOMENT
Toku
DON'T EVER LET GO OF IT

OH
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IN-CRED-IBLE
EVEN THOUGH I WAS OFF BALANCE
.....
IT HAD A REALLY GOOD FEEL TO IT

IT'S INNNN!!
ON HIS FIRST SHOT OF THE SECOND HALF!!!

I'M GLAD CLUB ACTIVITIES AREN'T STOPPED
I'LL THROW IT ALL AWAY TODAY..!!
WE'LL DEFINITELY RISE UP!!!
IT'S FINE AS LONG AS WE CAN PLAY BASKETBALL
I THOUGHT VERY OPTIMISTICALLY.
DEFENSE!!
DEFENSE!!!
EKOU
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